

EPA-HQ-2017-005364 request Details

Due Date: 04/27/2017 Clock Days: 49Backlogged

Requester Information

Requester	Mr. Allan L Blutstein	Tracking Number	EPA-HQ-2017-005364
Organization	America Rising	Submitted Date	03/27/2017
Requester Has Account	No	Received Date	03/28/2017
Email Address	ablutstein@am ericarisingllc.c om	Perfected Date	03/30/2017
Phone Number	703-672-3776	Last Assigned Date	03/30/2017
Fax Number		Assigned To	CarolAnn Siciliano (OGC Cross-Cutting Issues Law Office)
Address	America Rising, 1500 Wilson Blvd. 5th Floor	Last Assigned By	LaShawn Williams (OGC General Law Office)
City	Arlington	Request Track	Simple
State/Province	VA	Fee Limit	\$25.00
Zip Code/Postal Code	22209		

Closure Information

Closed Date	06/08/2017	Exemptions Used
Disposition	Full Grant	Statutes Used
"Other" Disposition		Subtypes Used

Request Handling

Requester Info Available to the Public	Yes	Request Type	FOIA
Request Track	Simple	Request Perfected	Yes
Fee Category	Commercial	Perfected Date	03/30/2017
Fee Waiver Requested	No	Acknowledgement Sent Date	
Fee Waiver Status		Unusual Circumstances	No
Expedited Processing Requested	No	Litigation	No
Expedited Processing Status		Court Docket Number	
		5 Day Notifications?	Yes

Description

Long Description	All emails sent by Joe Edgell, Office of General Counsel, that mention or refer to Scott Pruitt on February 16, 2017 or February 17, 2017.
Has Description Been Modified	No
Description Available to the Public	Yes
Short Description	

Additional Information

Unusual circumstances Invoked and Due Date Extended	N/A
Date Unusual Circumstances Invoked – you MUST go to EXTEND DUE DATE in LEFT-HAND NAVIGATION BAR and COMPLETE FIELDS including ESTIMATED DATE OF COMPLETION	N/A
Records Locations - Identify one or more locations where records may be located	N/A

Attached Supporting Files

Attachments Available to the Public?
No

Attached File Name	Size (MB)	File Type
No supporting files have been uploaded.		

Appeals

Tracking Number	Appeal Date	Appellant	Phase	Notification
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No appeals have been created.

Consultations

Tracking Number	Consulted Agency	Created By	Consultation Date	Due Date	Phase
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No consultations have been created.

Correspondence to Requester

Subject	From	To	Date
FOIA Request EPA-HQ-2017-005364 Submitted	System	Mr. Allan L Blutstein	03/27/2017

This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: [View Request](#). Request information is as follows:

- Tracking Number: EPA-HQ-2017-005364
- Requester Name: Allan L. Blutstein
- Date Submitted: 03/27/2017
- Request Status: Submitted
- Description: All emails sent by Joe Edgell, Office of General Counsel, that mention or refer to Scott Pruitt on February 16, 2017 or February 17, 2017.

Final Disposition, Request EPA-HQ-2017-005364	CarolAnn Siciliano	Mr. Allan L Blutstein	06/08/2017
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EPA-HQ-2017-005364 has been processed with the following final disposition: Full grant.

Records were released to the public as a result of this request. You may retrieve these records immediately using the following link: [View Records](#). Over the next 2 hours, these records are also being added to FOIAonline's search pages, further enabling you to retrieve these documents associated with your FOIA request at any time.

2017-005364 Blutstein Final Response (1).pdf

Other Correspondence

Attached File	File Type	Size (MB)
2017-005364 Blutstein Flnal Response.pdf	Adobe PDF Document	0.1471

Fee Estimates

Current Estimate Total	\$0
Date Estimate Sent to Requester	N/A
Estimate Required for Payment	N/A

Invoices

Sent	Title	Invoice Date	Amount
No	EPA-HQ-2017-005364 Invoice 20170607.pdf	06/07/2017	\$20.50

Total Amount Billed Which Has Been Sent To Requester	\$0.00
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Payments

Date	Amount	Type	Total Amount Paid	\$0.00
			Total Amount Owed	\$0.00
No payments have been added.				

Case Responsive Records

Publish Options:					
UU - Unredacted - Unreleaseable			UR - Unredacted - Releaseable to the General Public		
RU - Redacted - Unreleasable			RR - Redacted - Releaseable to the General Public		
			REQ - Release to Requester Only		
Release Type	Title	User	Date/Time	Exemptions	Release Date
UR - Unredacted - Releaseable to the General Public	Joe Edgell email 2.16	CarolAnn Siciliano	02/06/2019 02:25 AM	N/A	06/08/2017 11:31 AM
Type	Adobe PDF Document	Retention	6 year		
Size (MB)	0.0289	Referred to Non-Participating Agency	No		
Exemption 3 Statutes	N/A				
Exemption 5 Subtypes	N/A				

Restricted Materials

Attached File Name	Size (MB)	File Type	User	Actual Agency	Date/Time
No restricted materials have been added.					

Existing Admin Costs

Date	User Name	Charge Type	Hours/Quantity	Rate	Billable?	Total
05/02/2017	CarolAnn Siciliano	Search	0.50	41.00	No	20.50

Charge Description		We are not charging the requestor because we are past due.				

Fee Category: Commercial

Total: \$0.00

Invoice Amount: \$0.00

Comments	N/A						
Approve	Case File Review	Wendy Blake	CarolAnn Siciliano	06/07/2017	06/07/2017	2017-06-07T16:19:43.000Z	No
Comments	reviewed and approved						

Existing Comments (3)

Date Created	Last Edited On	User Name
04/06/2017 03:56 PM	02/06/2019 02:25 AM	CarolAnn Siciliano
Comment	I sent this email to Joe Edgell on March 30: Hi, Joe. I have just been assigned a FOIA where you (alone) would have responsive documents. The FOIA is narrow and seeks: "All emails sent by Joe Edgell, Office of General Counsel, that mention or refer to Scott Pruitt on February 16, 2017 or February 17, 2017." Can identify responsive records, if any? Once you identify responsive records, GLO will then evaluate whether any portion of those records are exempt pursuant to FOIA. [NOTE: After sending this email, I learned that Joe & I evaluate the documents for privilege, not GLO.] If you have such emails, please forward them to LaShawn Williams of GLO and me. I'll work with LaShawn and others in GLO to figure out next steps. I'll also work with LaShawn to determine how to use the FOIA On Line system for this collection. But in the meantime, I thought you could start looking for responsive documents. Thanks, Joe. If you have any questions, just let me know.	
03/30/2017 02:58 PM	01/28/2019 06:21 AM	LaShawn Williams
Comment	CarolAnn, This FOIA is assigned to your office per Wendy's voicemail and email. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks, LaShawn	
06/07/2017 12:19 PM	04/26/2019 02:35 AM	Wendy Blake
Comment	reviewed and approved	

Assigned Reviewers

Review Order	Review Outcome	Assigned Reviewer	Review Date
1	Approve	Wendy Blake	06/07/2017



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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request No. EPA- EPA-HQ-2017-005364, Final
Response

Dear Mr. Blutstein:

This letter is in reference to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on March 27, 2017, in which you requested records relating to "all emails sent by Joe Edgell, Office of General Counsel, that mention or refer to Scott Pruitt on February 16, 2017 or February 17, 2017."

The Office of General Counsel has concluded its search for records responsive to your request and is providing the requested records in full.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at hq.foia@epa.gov, or by mail to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20001. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals *received* after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 p.m. EDT will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Additionally, you may seek dispute resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at hq.foia@epa.gov or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email, ogis@nara.gov; telephone, (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; or fax, (202) 741-5769.

If you have any questions concerning this response, please contact me at (202) 564-5489.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carol Ann Siciliano", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Carol Ann Siciliano
Associate General Counsel
Cross-Cutting Issues Law Office
Office of General Counsel

Enclosure

From: Edgell, Joe
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2017 3:20 PM
To: EZTech <EZTech@epa.gov>
Subject: Problems Viewing Senate Confirmation Hearing

Dear EZTech,

I'm having problems viewing the Senate confirmation hearings for nominee Scott Pruitt. Here's the link to the player: http://floor.senate.gov/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=2&event_id=1214

If you could assist in getting this fixed soon, I'd appreciate it!

Joe

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